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ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES – Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Department - Allegation of corruption of demand and acceptance of bribe against Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer, O/o the Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Division, Jangareddygudem, West Godavari District - Trapped on 23.09.2020 - Sanction for prosecution under Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 – Accorded – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG. I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.21

Dated:17.04.2023

O R D E R:

1. WHEREAS, Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, S/o. Late Ramanna Dora, 47 years, Technical Officer, O/o. the Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Division, Jangareddygudem, West Godavari District, worked from 22.06.2012 to 23.09.2020 and by virtue of the post held by him, he falls under the category of a Public Servant as defined under Section 2(c) of Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018.

2. AND WHEREAS, Sri Taninki Ratna Raju, S/o Raju, 30 years, is a resident of Chopparamannagudem Village, Koyyalagudem Mandal, West Godavari District. He is doing civil contract works as sub-contractor under Sri M.Srinivas who is having license since 2016. Later, due to some disputes with Sri Srinivas, Sri Taninki Ratna Raju decided to do contract works on his own and went to office of Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Jangareddygudem and

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enquired and learnt that Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer will look after the contract license works. Then Sri Taninki Ratna Raju approached the Technical officer Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora to get contract license. On that Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer informed Sri Taninki Ratna Raju that he has to submit application along with copy of Aadhar card, passport size photos-4, copy of Pan card and Demand draft worth Rs.1000/- drawn in favour of Executive Engineer to get the contract license. Accordingly, on 25.07.2020 Sri Taninki Ratna Raju met Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer at his office and submitted copy of Aadhar card, Passport size photos-4, copy of PAN Card. Then Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical officer verified the same and obtained the signature of Sri Taninki Ratna Raju on printed application. Later Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer asked about Demand Draft. On that Sri Taninki Ratna Raju informed that he did not take the Demand Draft and he would take it and submit later. Then Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer demanded bribe of Rs. 15,000/- to process the file of Sri Taninki Ratna Raju. As Sri Taninki Ratna Raju was not willing to give bribe and informed Sri Kosi Surya Chandra Dora, Technical Officer that after submission of Demand Draft he would discuss on that. Later, on 30.07.2020, Sri Taninki Ratna Raju took the Demand Draft worth Rs.1,000/- and handed over the same to Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer. Then Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer again demanded bribe of Rs.15,000/-. Sri T. Ratna Raju informed that he was not having that much amount with him at that time and when Sri K. Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer asked how much amount he was having and then Sri Taninki Ratna Raju took out an amount of Rs.2,000/- from his shirt pocket, Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer took that amount of Rs.2,000/- and informed that if he paid the remaining amount of Rs.13,000/-, he would process the file and issue Class-V contract license after obtaining signature of Executive Engineer. As Sri Taninki Ratna Raju was not willing to give bribe, Sri Taninki Ratna Raju requested Sri K.Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer to process the file first and get the signature of the Executive Engineer, then he would discuss about the amount. Later on 14.08.2020 morning hours, Sri K.Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer called through his mobile to Sri Taninki Ratna Raju and informed to take the certificate by saying that he

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gave his money on the harassment by his boss after he signed. Later, phone call was cut while conversation was going on. Immediately, Sri Taninki Ratna Raju called through his mobile to Sri K.Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer about how much amount and on that Sri K.Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer asked how much he paid last time. Then Sri Taninki Ratna Raju said Rs.2,000/- and Sri K.Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer demanded Rs.11,000/- and murmured that he was losing Rs.2,000/-. Sri Taninki Ratna Raju recorded those two conversations in his Redmi Note 4 mobile phone. Later, when Sri T.Ratna Raju met Sri K.Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer on two occasions, Sri K. Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer reiterated his earlier demand that if he paid the remaining bribe of Rs.11,000/-, then only he would hand over the Class-V contract license. Again on 19.09.2020, when Sri Taninki Ratna Raju met Sri K.Surya Chandram Dora, Technical officer, he threatened that he would hand over Class-V contract license only after receiving of remaining bribe amount of Rs.11,000/-. As Sri T. Ratna Raju was not willing to pay the bribe amount to Sri K.Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer, Sri Taninki Ratna Raju got transferred the two voice conversations that took place between himself and Sri K.Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer into two (2) Pen drives and submitted a written report to Deputy Superintending of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Eluru along with two (2) pen drives on 19.09.2020 at 17.00 hours to take necessary action against Sri K.Surya Chandram Doram, Technical Officer.

3. AND WHEREAS on 23.09.2020 at 07.45 AM, the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Eluru after observing the procedural formalities, registered the report as a case in Crime No.04/RCT-EWG/2020 under Section 7 of Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018.

4. AND WHEREAS, having completed the pre trap proceedings on 23.09.2020 from 08.00 hours to 10.00 hours in the office room of Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Eluru Range. The trap party left the office of the Deputy Superintendent

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of Police and proceeded towards Jangareddygudem where Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer was trapped at the office of Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Division, Jangareddygudem, West Godavari District, when he was further demanded and accepted the bribe amount Rs.11,000/- from the complainant Sri Taninki Ratna Raju as formality for doing the official favour i.e., to process the file of Sri Taninki Ratna Raju for issuing Class-V contract license and to deliver original Class-V contract license proceedings to him. The chemical test conducted over the both hand fingers of Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer separately and the solution of right hand fingers only yielded positive result, whereas the solution of left hand fingers remain unchanged. When questioned by Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Eluru, Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer took out bribe amount from his office table drawer. When compared the serial numbers of the recovered currency notes and the same were found tallied with those serial numbers and denominations of the currency notes handed over by Sri Taninki Ratna Raju, Complainant during pre-trap proceedings. The chemical test conducted on the surface of the right side office table drawer yielded positive result. The Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau seized the tainted currency notes of Rs. 11,000/-, samples of chemical powder, resulted solutions, relevant records and examined the witnesses. The Deputy Superintendent of Police got prepared the Rough sketch of the scene of offence.

5. AND WHEREAS, the above said acts of Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, S/o. Late Ramanna Dora, 47 years, worked as Technical Officer, O/o. the Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Division, Jangareddygudem, West Godavari District constitute offences punishable under Section 7(a) of Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018.

6. AND WHEREAS, the Government of Andhra Pradesh being the competent authority to remove Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer, O/o the Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Division, Jangareddygudem, West Godavari District from service

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after fully and carefully examining the material (i.e. copies of FIR, Mediator Reports, statement of witnesses, made up files and Final Report etc.,) placed before them in respect of the said allegations and the circumstances of the case consider that Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer, O/o the Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Division, Jangareddygudem, West Godavari District should be prosecuted in a Court of Law.

7. NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by Clause (b) of Sub-Section (1) of Section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018, the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby accord sanction for the prosecution of Sri Kosi Surya Chandram Dora, Technical Officer, O/o the Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Division, Jangareddygudem, West Godavari district for the above said offences punishable under Section 7(a) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 2018 and for any other cognate offences punishable under any other provisions of Law for the time being in force in respect of the aforesaid acts and for taking cognizance of the said offences by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

(B. RAJSEKHAR)
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director General
Anti-Corruption Bureau
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VIJAYAWADA.